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# Meeting Minutes Iowa Commission on Aging Monday, April 1st, 2019 3:00 p.m.

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#### Welcome and Call to Order

The Iowa Commission on Aging convened by conference call. Commissioner Jenkins called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

#### Roll Call

# **Members Present**

G. Willard Jenkins, Conference Call Suzanne Heckenlaible, Conference Call Quentin Hart, Conference Call Rich Motz, Conference Call Carole Dunkin, Conference Call Cheryl Arnold, Conference Call

# Members Absent \*Senator Amanda

- \*Senator Amanda Ragan
- \*Senator Mark Segebart
- \*Representative Mary Gaskill
- \*Representative Ann Meyer

#### Conference call:

Kellie Elliott-Kapparos (Heritage AAA), Jill Sindt (Heritage AAA), Caroline Barrett-AG's Office, Jonathan Landon (Shuttleworth & Ingersoll Law Firm), Iowa Department on Aging (IDA) Director Linda Miller, Brian Majeski, Angela Van Pelt, Dax Oberreuter

# **Approve Agenda and Minutes**

Jenkins made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, Dunkin moved, Heckenlaible second, motion carried unanimously.

## Questions & Discussion of De-designation & Designation

## **Assistant Director Majeksi**

Assistant Director Majeski offered background on the purpose for de-designation and a recommendation for designation of a new entity. On Oct. 21, 2018 the lowa Department on Aging received notice from Kirkwood Community College that it would voluntarily de-designate as an Area Agency on Aging. IDA started the process for finding a new AAA for PSA 4 covering 7 counties. A request for application for a new AAA was sent and a public hearing was held in December of 2018. Heritage, a new, 501(c)(3), independent of Kirkwood, was the only applicant and the RFA review team determined the organization was qualified to become an Area Agency on Aging. Jonathan Landon of Shuttleworth & Ingersoll Law Firm, representing Kirkwood Community College and the new Heritage organization, made comments for the reasoning behind the need to become independent. An independent structure is required for the long term success of an Area Agency on Aging. Operating under Kirkwood resulted in missed opportunities and funding issues. Landon noted the interim executive council will be the Board of Directors for the new Heritage organization. All current staff will be employed by the new, independent Heritage and all operating assets will be retained.

# De-Designation of Kirkwood Comm. College as an AAA

**Voting Members** 

Chairman Jenkins made a motion to accept the recommendation to de-designate Kirkwood Community College on June 30, 2019 at 11:59PM. Arnold moved, Hart second. A roll call vote was taken and the question passed 6 aye, 0 nay.

# Designation of Heritage as an AAA for PSA 4

**Voting Members** 

Chairman Jenkins made a motion to accept the recommendation to designate Heritage, an Iowa non-profit corporation, as an Area Agency on Aging on July 1, 2019 at 12:00AM. Heckenlaible moved, Dunkin second. A roll call vote was taken and the question passed 6 aye, 0 nay.

<sup>\*</sup>Non-voting, Ex-officio members

# Announcements from the Commission and/or Department Staff

Assistant Director Majeski noted the next step will be for Heritage to submit an area plan to the Commission for its approval at the next commission meeting. Director Miller thanked the Heritage staff for their work over the de-designation process. Kellie Elliott-Kapparos, of Heritage, thanked the commission and their staff for their support during the process and noted Heritage is looking toward the future and offering services in PSA 4.

Meeting adjourned at 3:24 p.m.  Commissioner Hart moved to adjourn, Heckenlaible second, and the Commission was adjourned.	
Commissioner Jenkins	Linda J. Miller, Director

